

23 November 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT: NIE 63-7-54: Probable Developments in South Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia through 1955

Background

1. Production of this estimate on a tentative basis was included in the program of estimates approved 23 November. As a result of a request from Mr. Kenneth Young, State Department, who was a member of an OCS Task Team, this estimate was first definitely scheduled on an urgent basis with 9 November as the completion date. However, Mr. Young subsequently agreed to a 23 November completion date in order that the scope of the paper might be broadened to include Laos and Cambodia.

Substance

2. No dissents are to be expected at the IAC meeting. From the very beginning there has been general agreement on the major estimates which are included in this paper.

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